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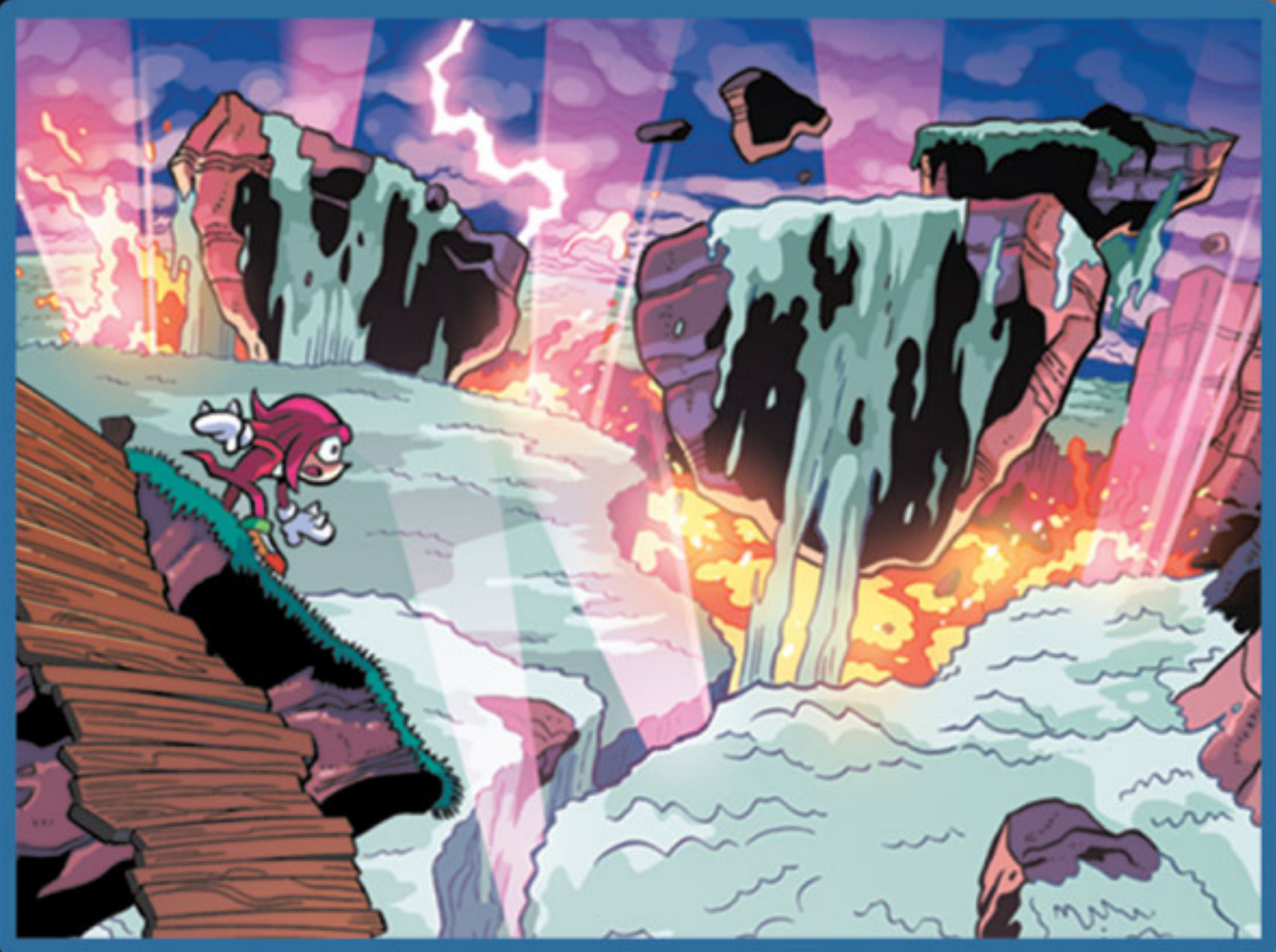
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PREVIOUSLY...

THE SHATTERED WORLD CRISIS IS UPON US!

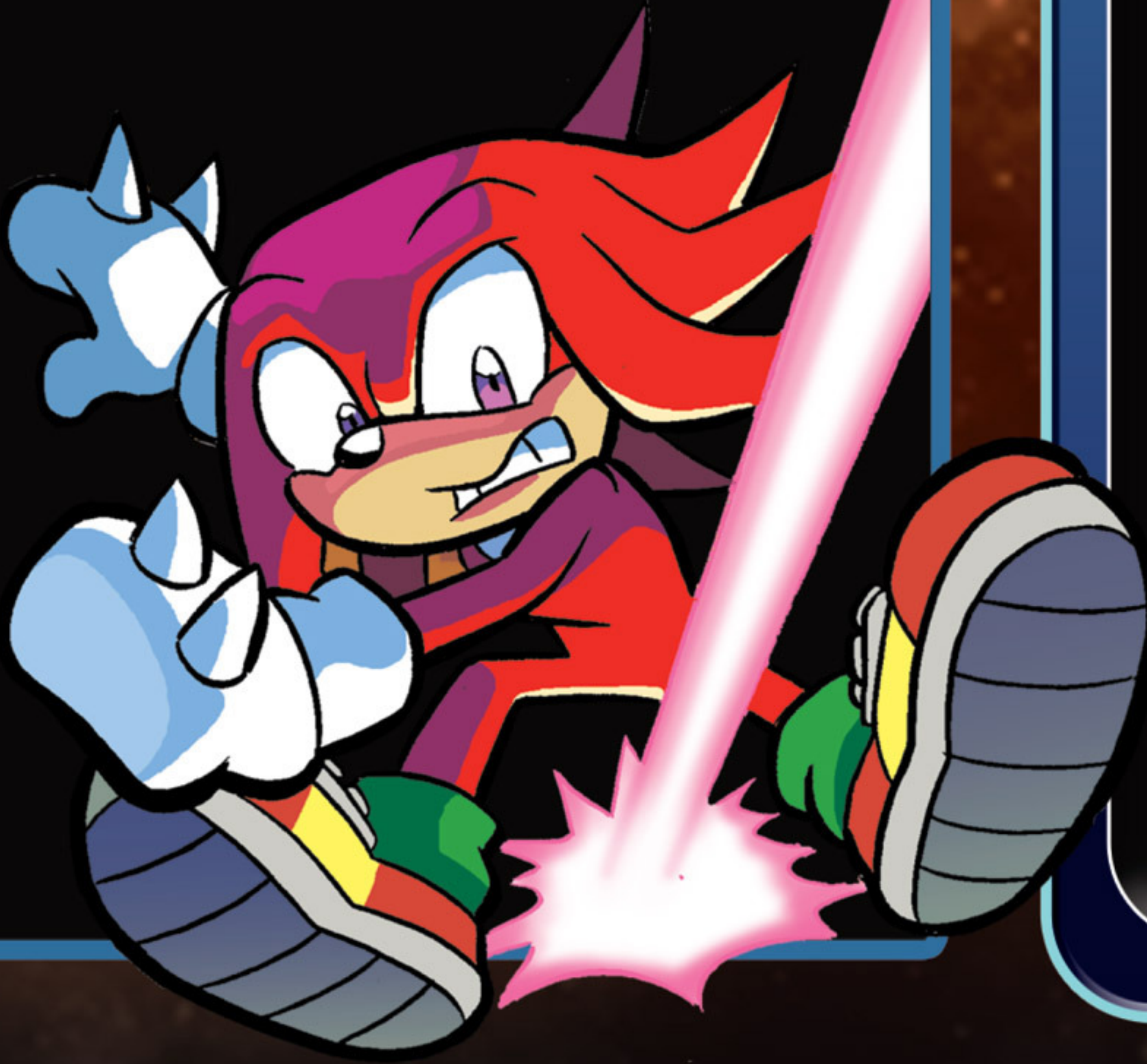
The continents have been ripped up and now fly around as floating islands. Knuckles has been enlisted by a mysterious force to track down a powerful spirit that should help fix the world!



Along the way he met the Chaotix, who had been hired to find the Chaos Emeralds. These gems are the key to restoring the world. Could they hold a connection to the spirit

Knuckles was tasked to find? Knuckles joined the Chaotix to find out.

Together they faced strange and terrifying monsters as they searched the spooky Pumpkin Hills. While they haven't found the Emerald, they have found trouble in the form of the Chaotix's greatest rivals...



**KNUCKLES
THE ECHIDNA**
THE LAST GUARDIAN



TEAM CHAOTIX
(VECTOR, ESPIO & CHARMY)
FREELANCE DETECTIVES



TEAM HOOLIGAN
(BARK, NACK & BEAN)
MERCENARY CROOKS



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PUMPKIN
HILL ZONE

GREAT--
THESE BOZOS
AGAIN.

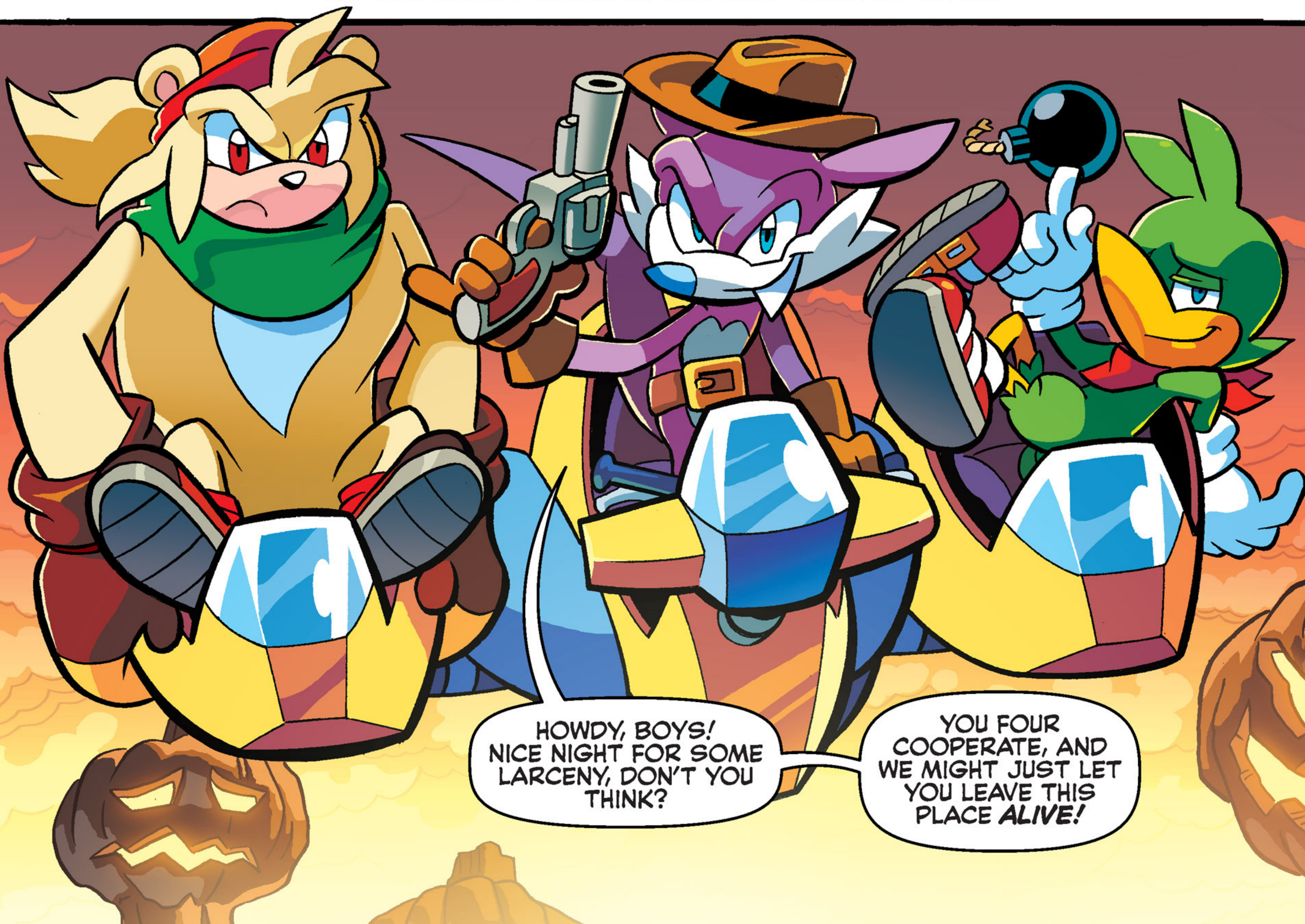
THE CHAOS
EMERALD WAS ON
THE MOVE, AND NOW
THEY'RE HERE...

THEY
MUST'VE
TAKEN
IT!

THE GREAT CHAOS CAPER

PART TWO:
THE USUAL
SUSPECTS

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BARK the
POLAR
BEAR
SILENT
BRAWLER

NACK the
WEASEL
FANGED
SNIPER

GYEEP!

The
MARVELOUS
QUEEN
NACK'S BIKE--
DON'T TOUCH!

Oh, YEAH?
CHAOTIX--
LET'S
GET
'EM!

VECTOR the
CROCODILE
CHAOTIX
LEADER

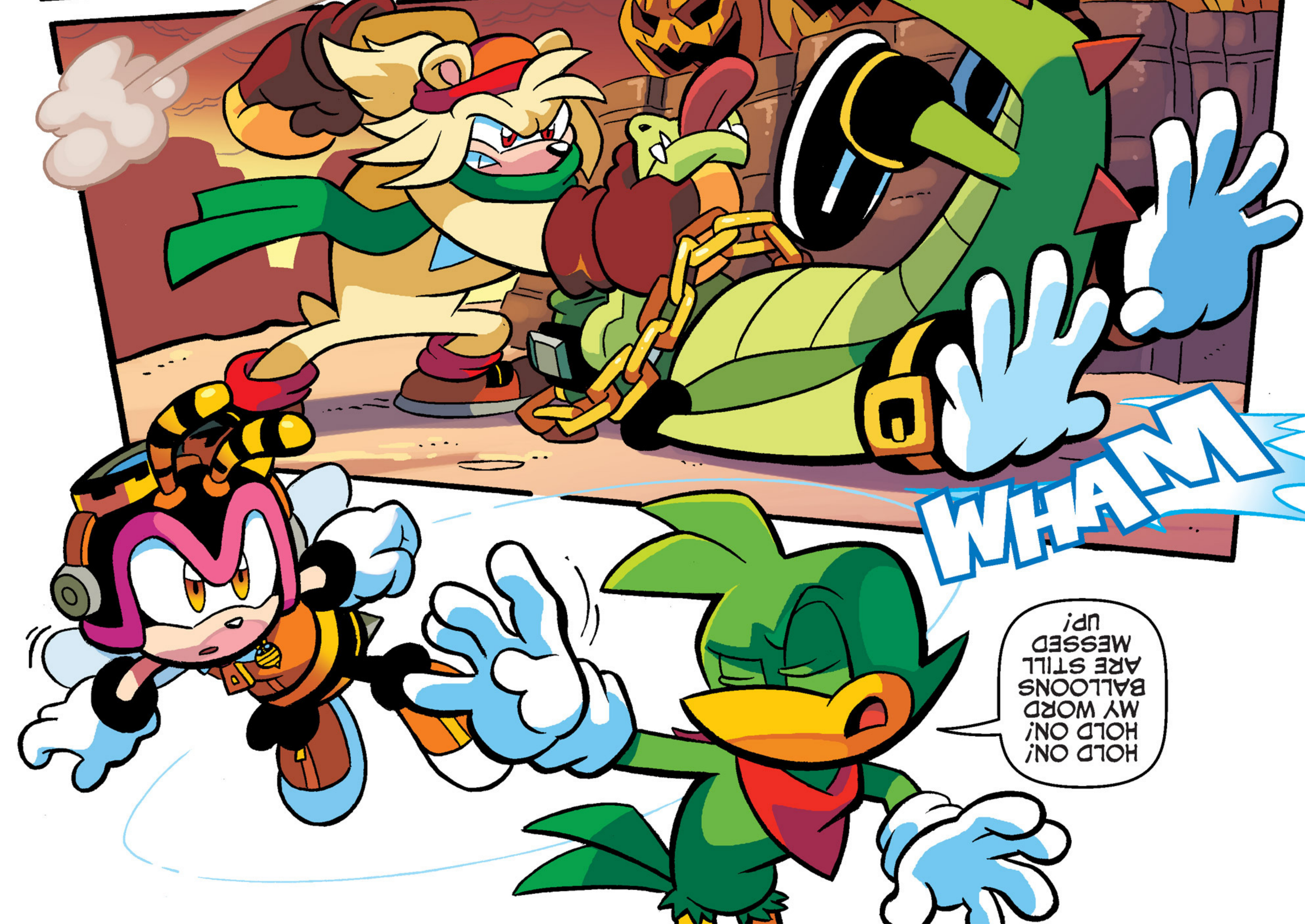
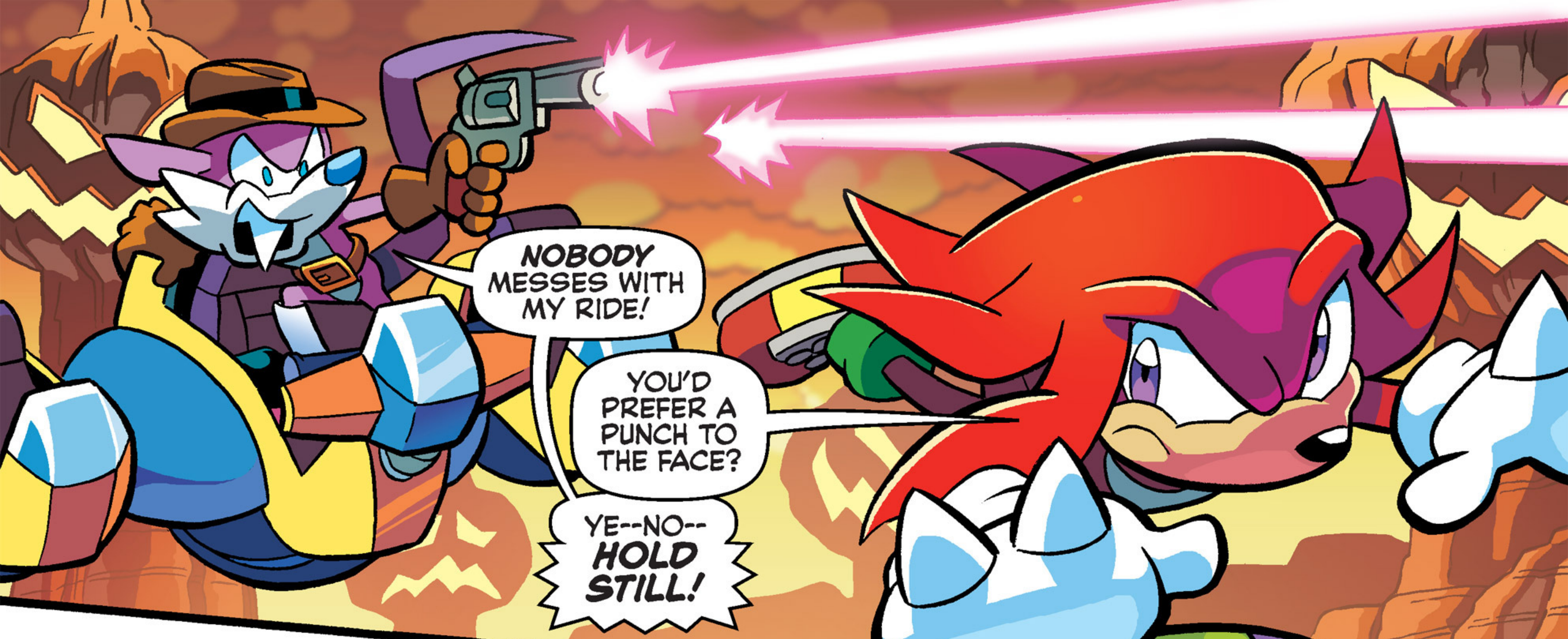
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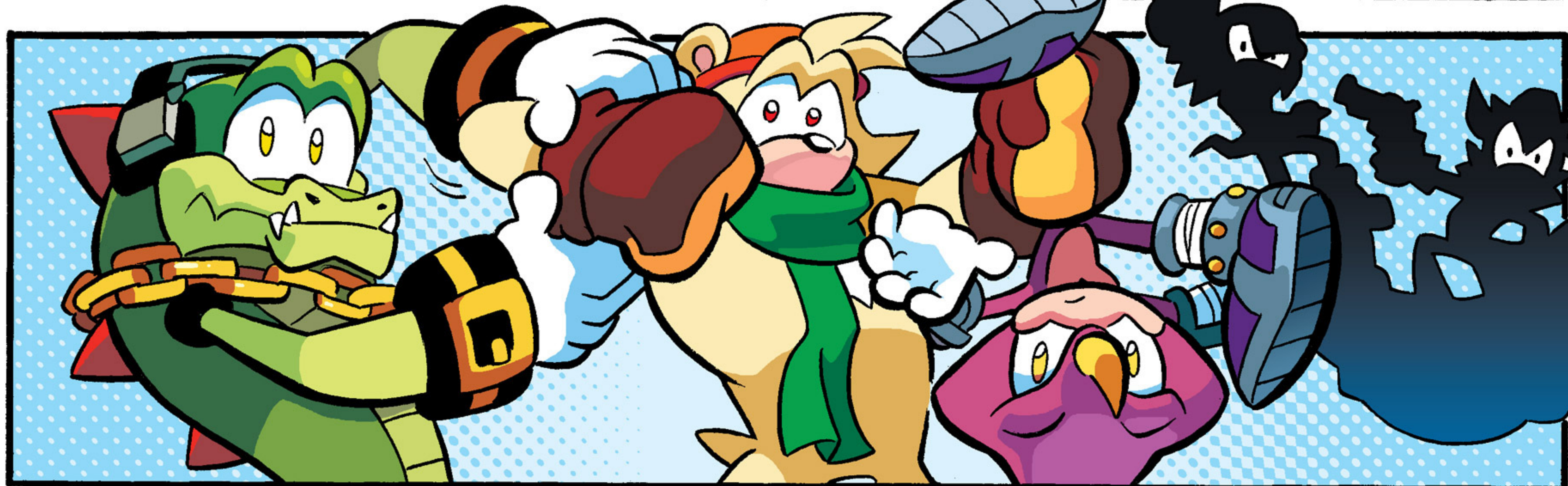
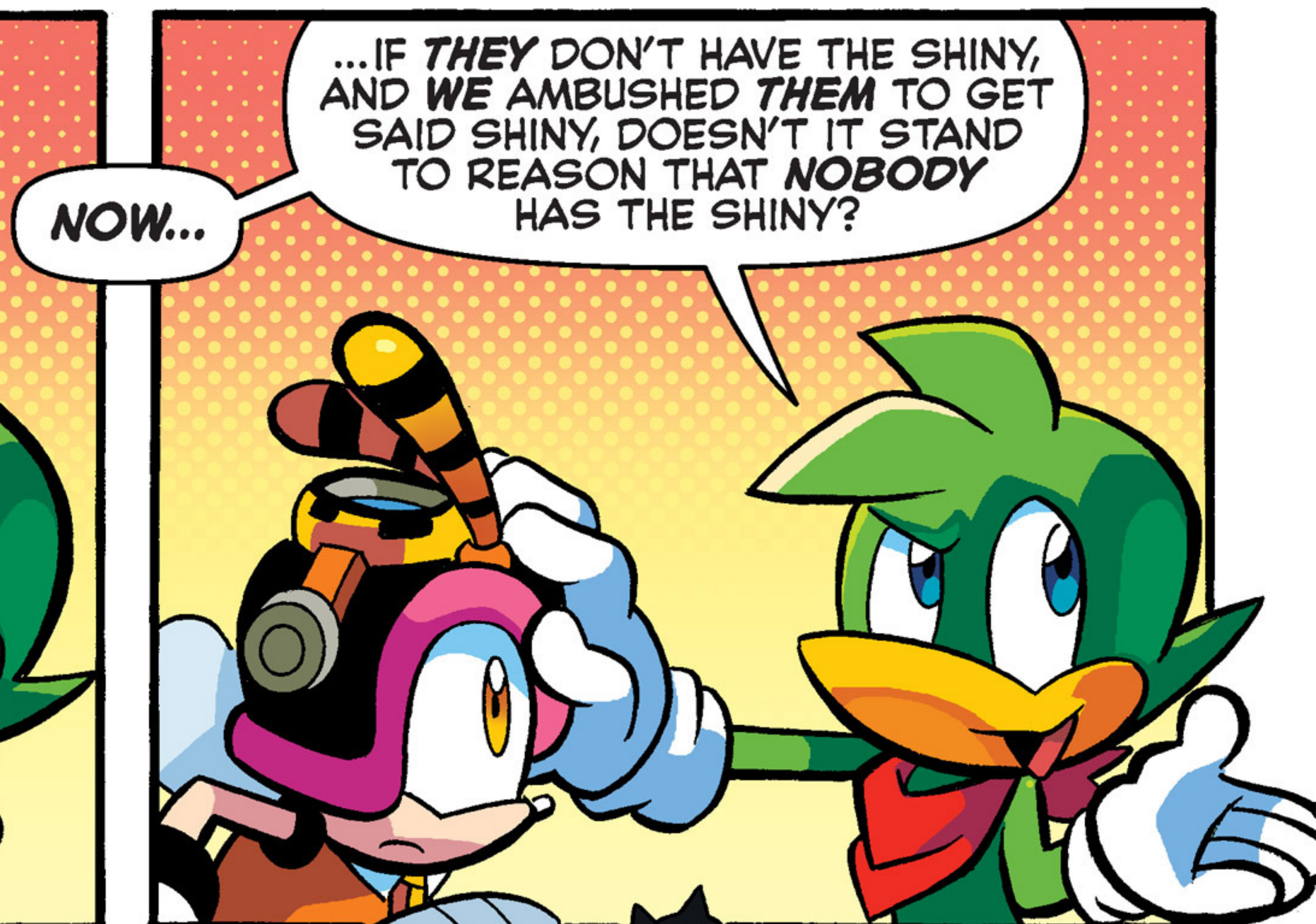
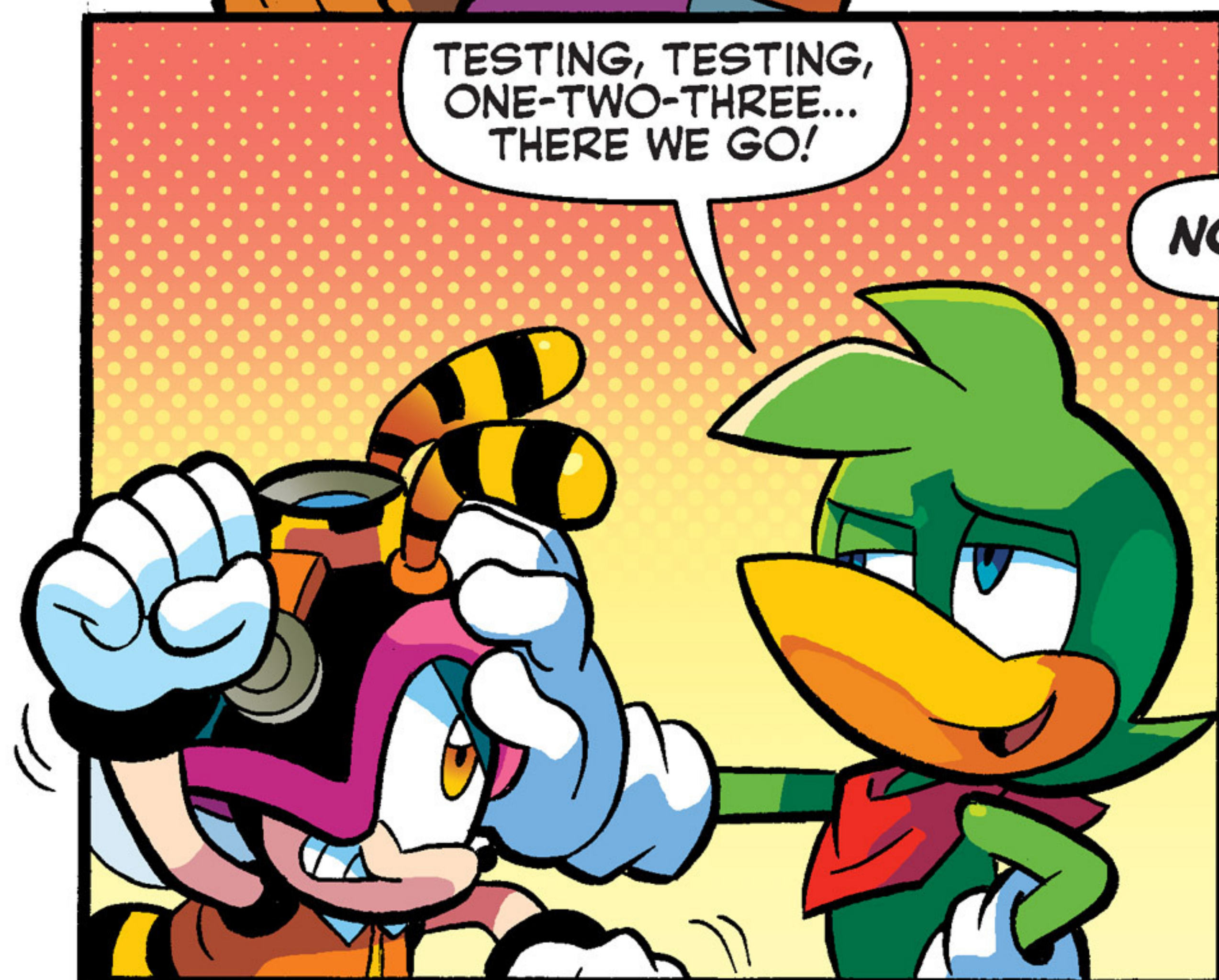
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EVENING!

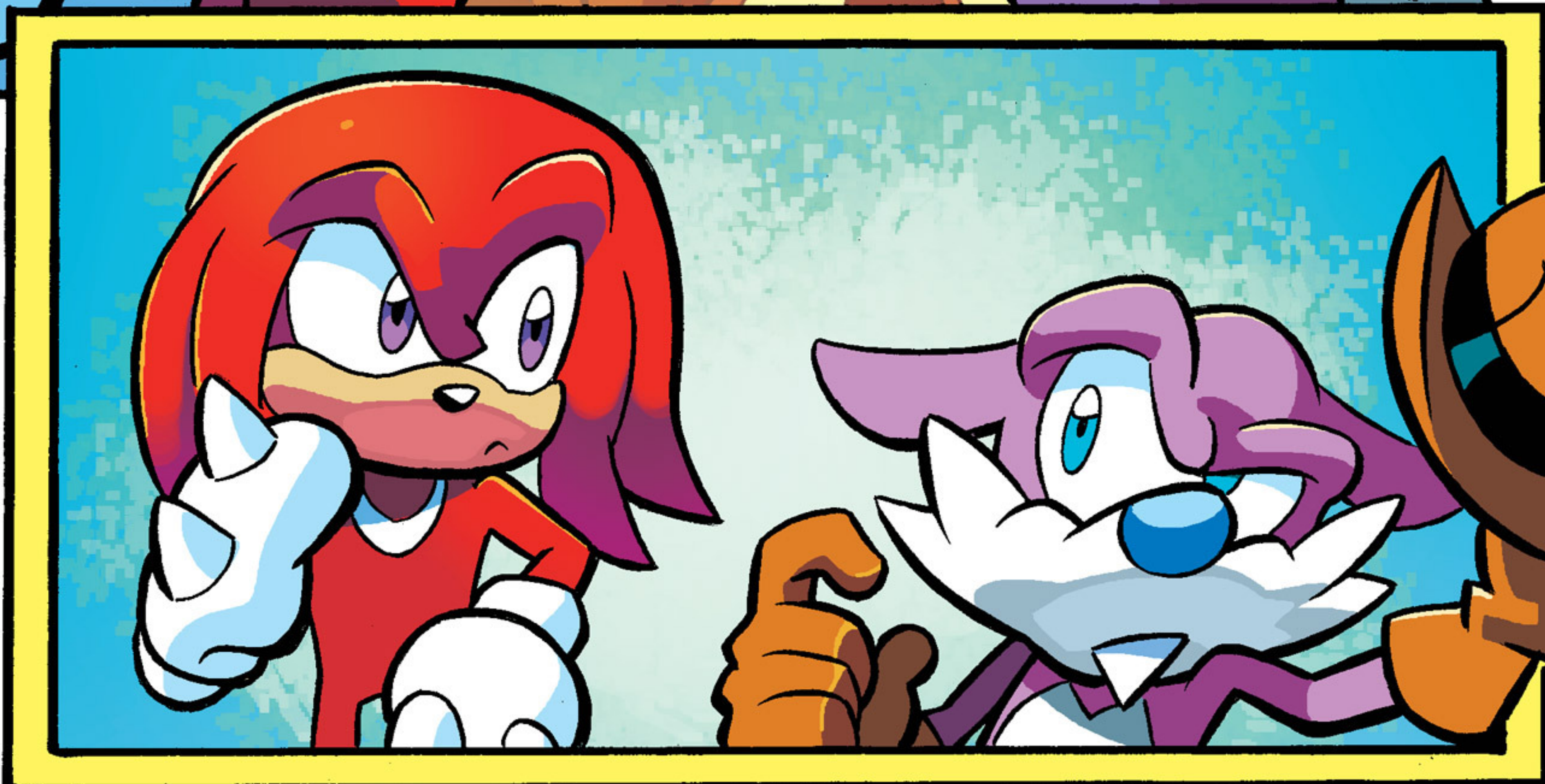
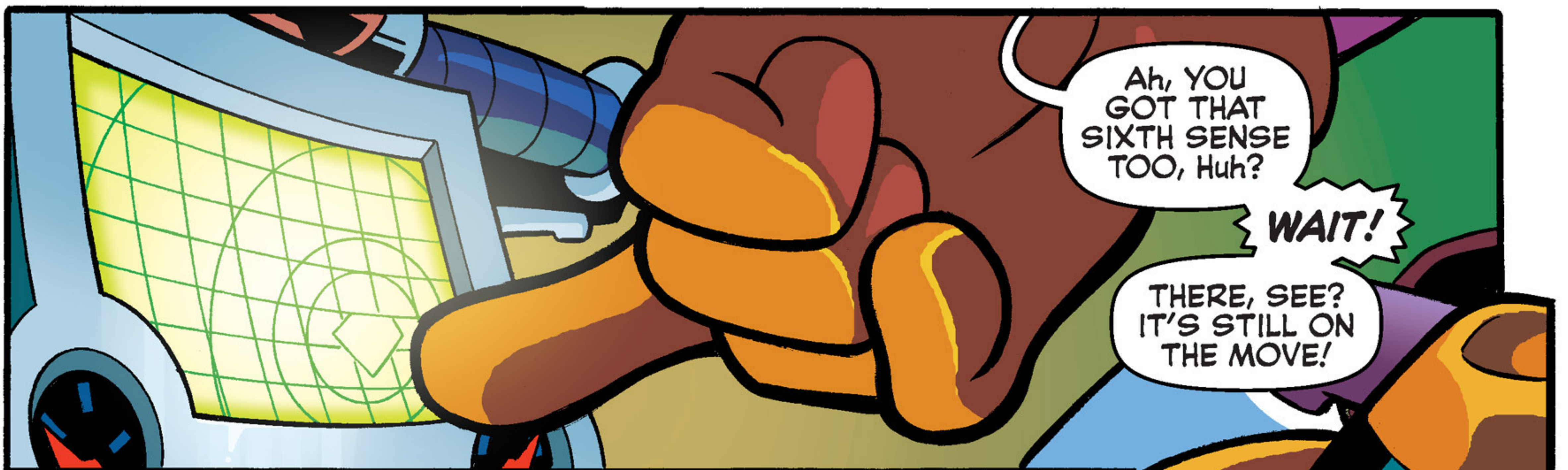
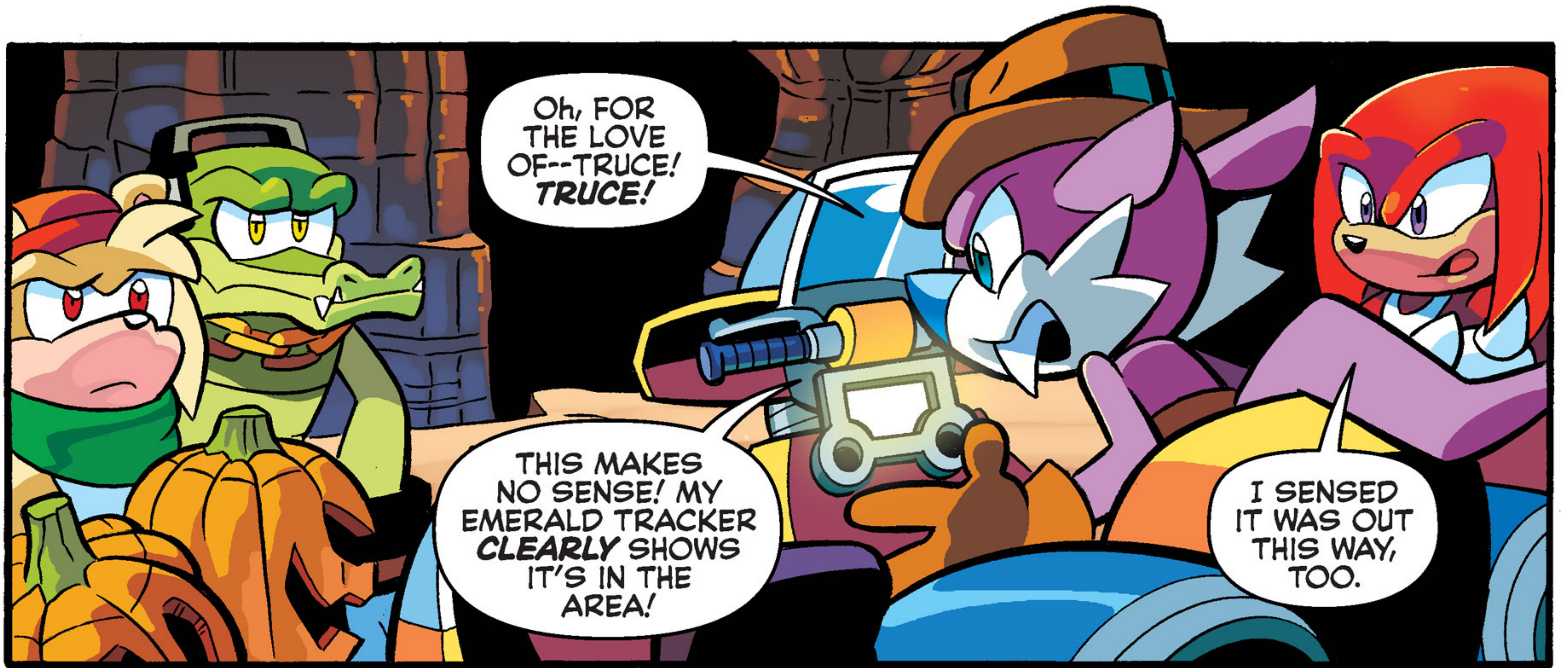
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CHAMELEON
CHAOTIX
NINJA

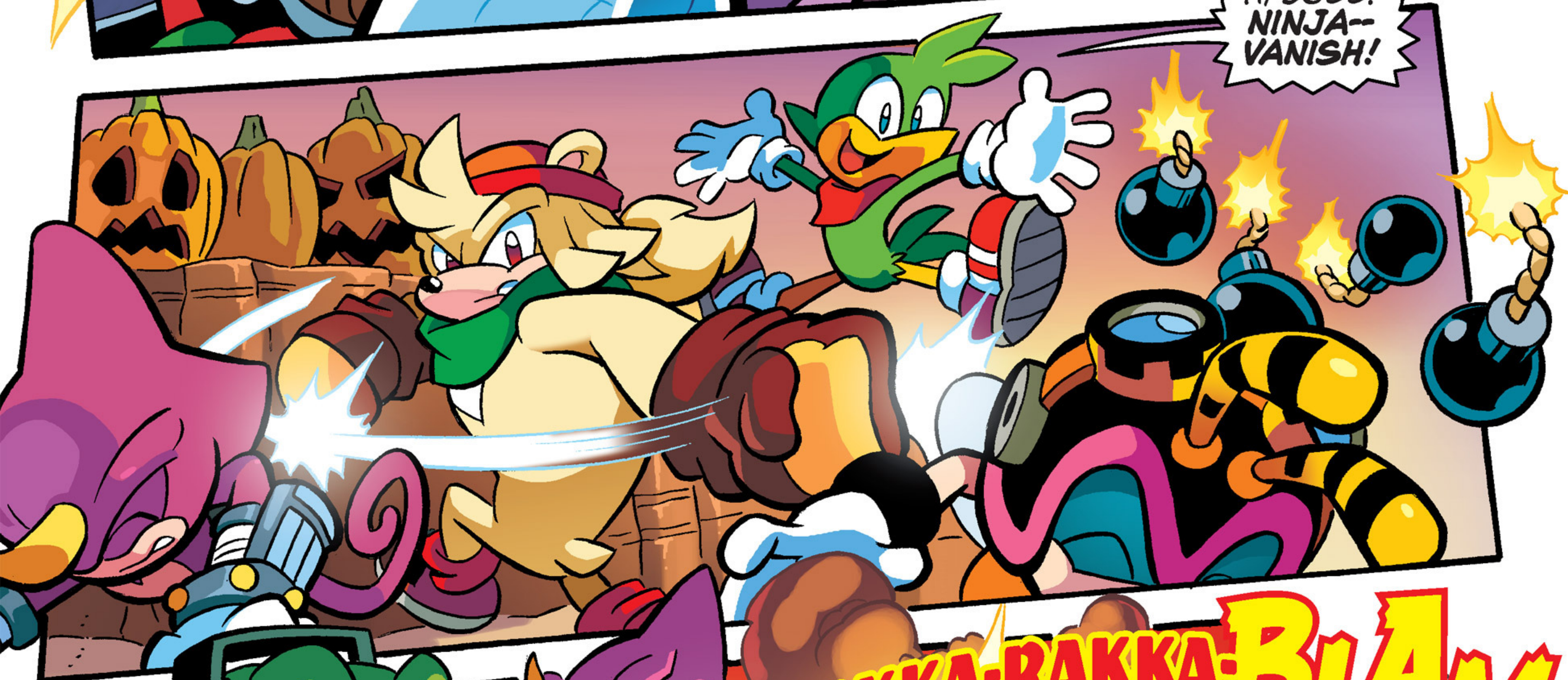
CHARMY
the BEE
JUNIOR
CHAOTIX

BEAN the
DYNAMITE
DUCK
HAS
ISSUES









BRAKKA-RAKKA-BLAM



THAT'S
JUST
GREAT!

THE HOOLIGANS
GOT THE DROP ON
US, AND NOW THEY'VE
GOT A HEAD START!



YEAH--
BUT THEY
DON'T HAVE
ME.

LIKE I SAID--I'VE
BEEN THROUGH THIS
AREA BEFORE, WHEN I
WAS LOOKING FOR
THE SHARDS OF
THE MASTER
EMERALD.

IT'S LIKE
A MAZE. SO
WHILE THOSE
THREE ARE
FLYING AROUND
WITHOUT A
CLUE, I CAN
SHOW YOU THE
BEST WAY IN.

AND YOU CAN
SENSE THE EMERALD...
WE'RE NOT SUNK!
WE'VE STILL GOT THE
ADVANTAGE!

WOO! WE CAN STILL
PRETEND TO BE
NUMBER ONE!

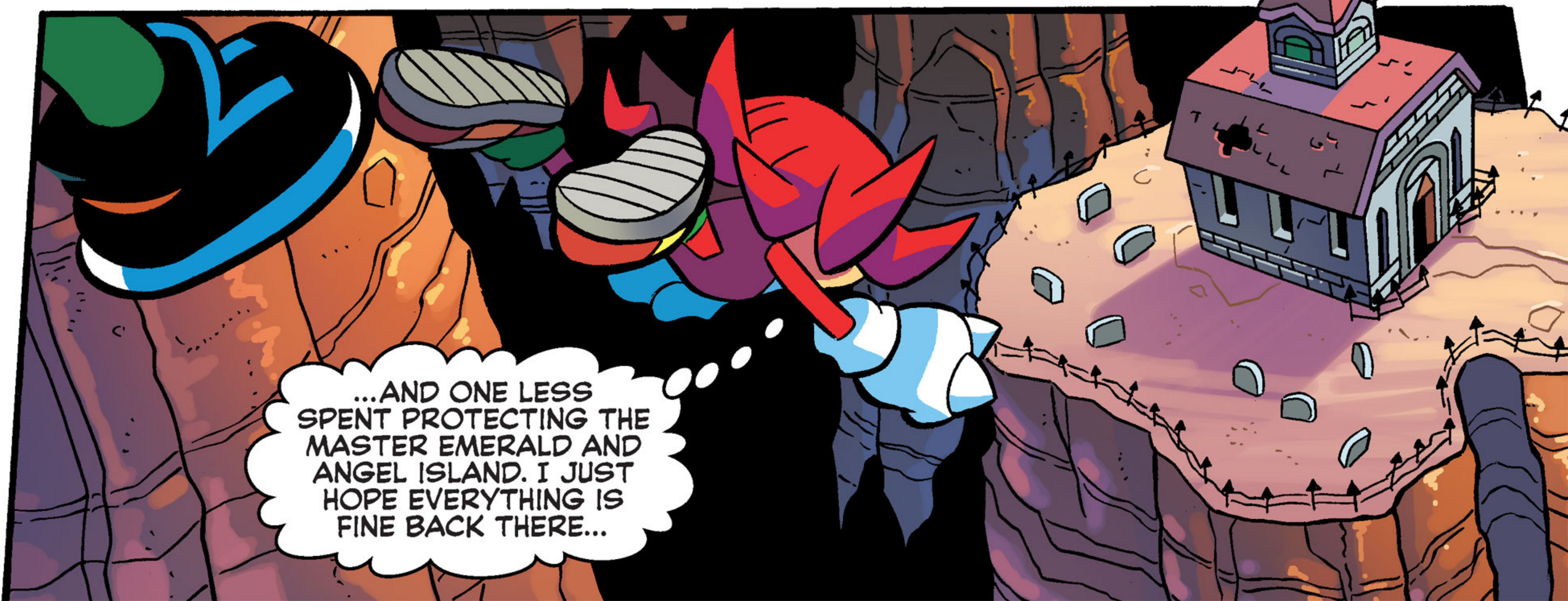
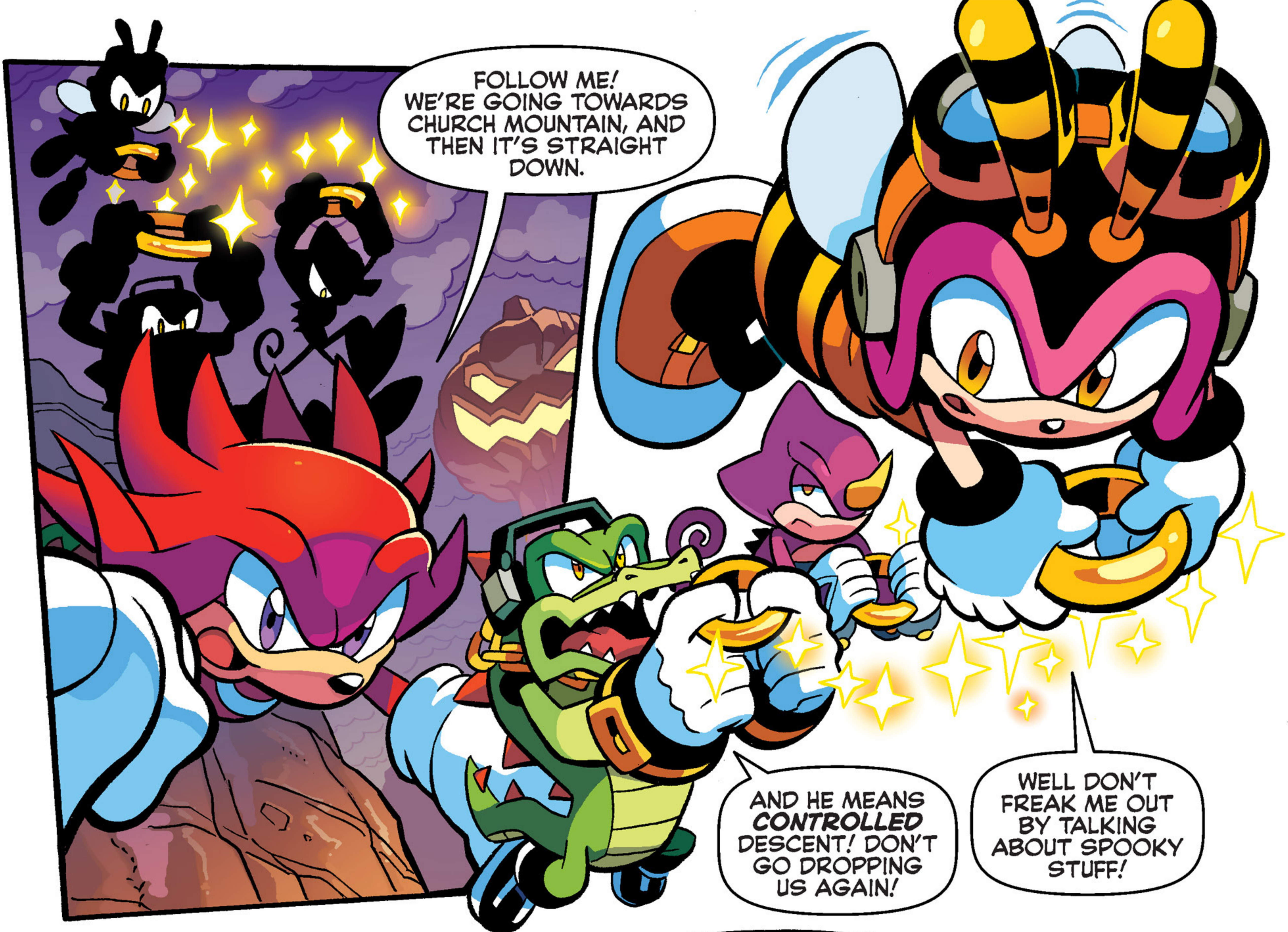
THEN LET'S
HURRY! THEY
STILL HAVE
THE SPEED
ADVANTAGE.



THEN WE'LL
CHANNEL OUR
INNER-SONIC!
VROOM!
WHOOSH!

PSSHT!
NEVER.





"...AND NOTHING BOTHERS RELIC."

MEANWHILE--
LAUNCH BASE ZONE,
ANGEL ISLAND

RELIC the PIKA
ARCHAEOLOGIST

FIXIT
ANCIENT
MACHINE

Doooooh!
IT'S LIKE THE
ORIGINAL RESIDENTS
DIDN'T WANT THESE
SYSTEMS TO
COORDINATE
AT ALL!



Erm...MADAM RELIC? MAY
I INQUIRE *WHAT* YOU'RE
ATTEMPTING TO DO...

...SO I
MAY BE OF
ASSISTANCE?

WELL, SINCE I
CAN'T SEEM TO CONTACT
ANYONE ON THE SURFACE
--SUCH AS IT IS
NOWADAYS--

I THOUGHT
I MIGHT GET ALL THE
OLD SYSTEMS ACROSS
THE ISLAND TO SYNC
UP.

KNUCKLES
TASKED US WITH
WATCHING OVER
THE ISLAND IN HIS
ABSENCE.

YOU WOULD *THINK*
THAT SINCE HIS
ANCESTORS BUILT UP
SO MUCH ACROSS
THE ISLAND...

...THEY'D
HAVE LEFT
A WAY TO
TALK TO ONE
ANOTHER!

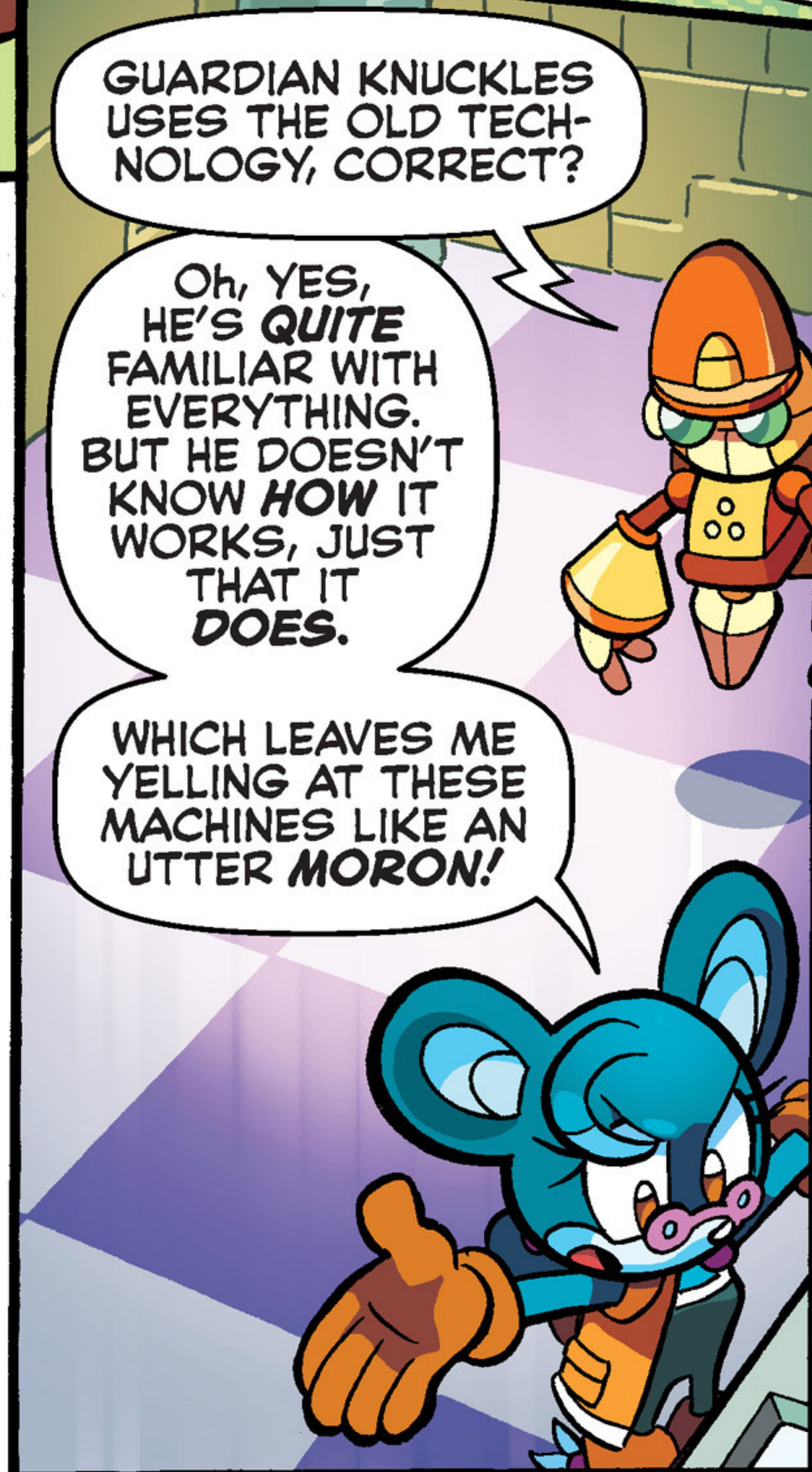
GUARDIAN KNUCKLES
USES THE OLD TECH-
NOLOGY, CORRECT?

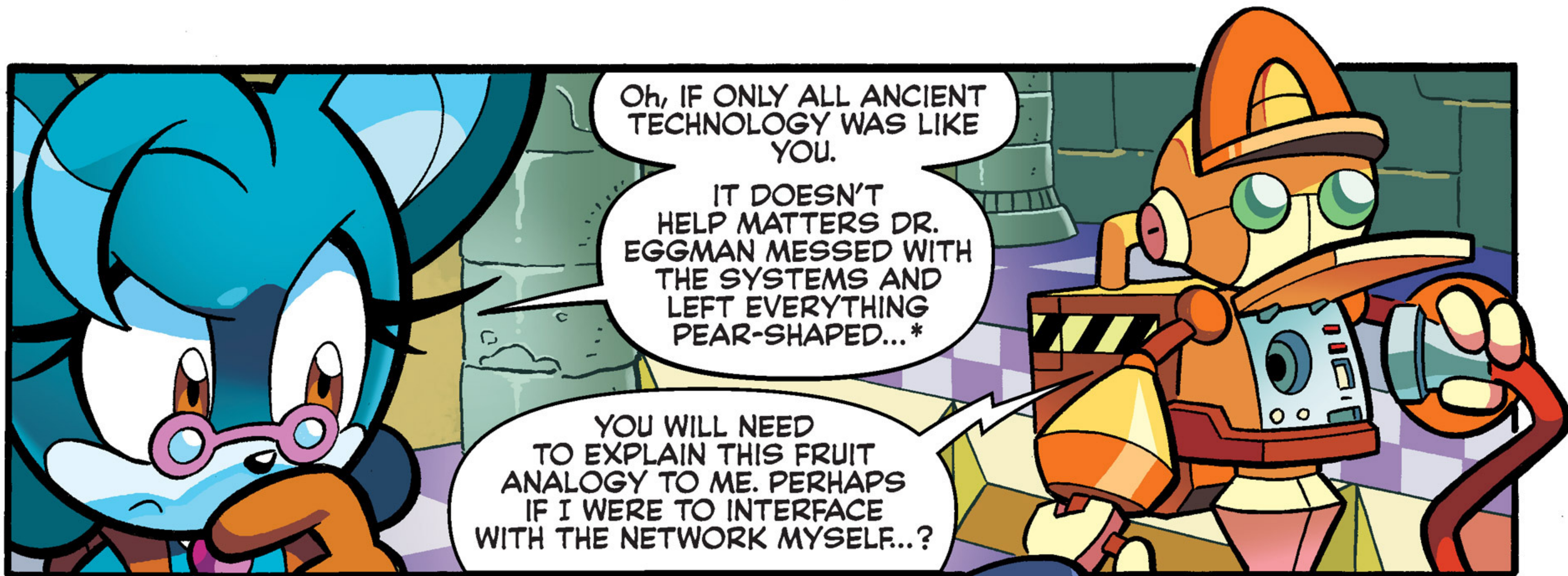
Oh, YES,
HE'S *QUITE*
FAMILIAR WITH
EVERYTHING.
BUT HE DOESN'T
KNOW *HOW* IT
WORKS, JUST
THAT IT
DOES.

WHICH LEAVES ME
YELLING AT THESE
MACHINES LIKE AN
UTTER *MORON*!

BUT NOT
YOU, DEAR.
YOU'RE EVER
SO HELPFUL,
AND I'M QUITE
HAPPY I
FOUND YOU
UNDER THAT
RUBBLE.

I LIVE TO
SERVE!



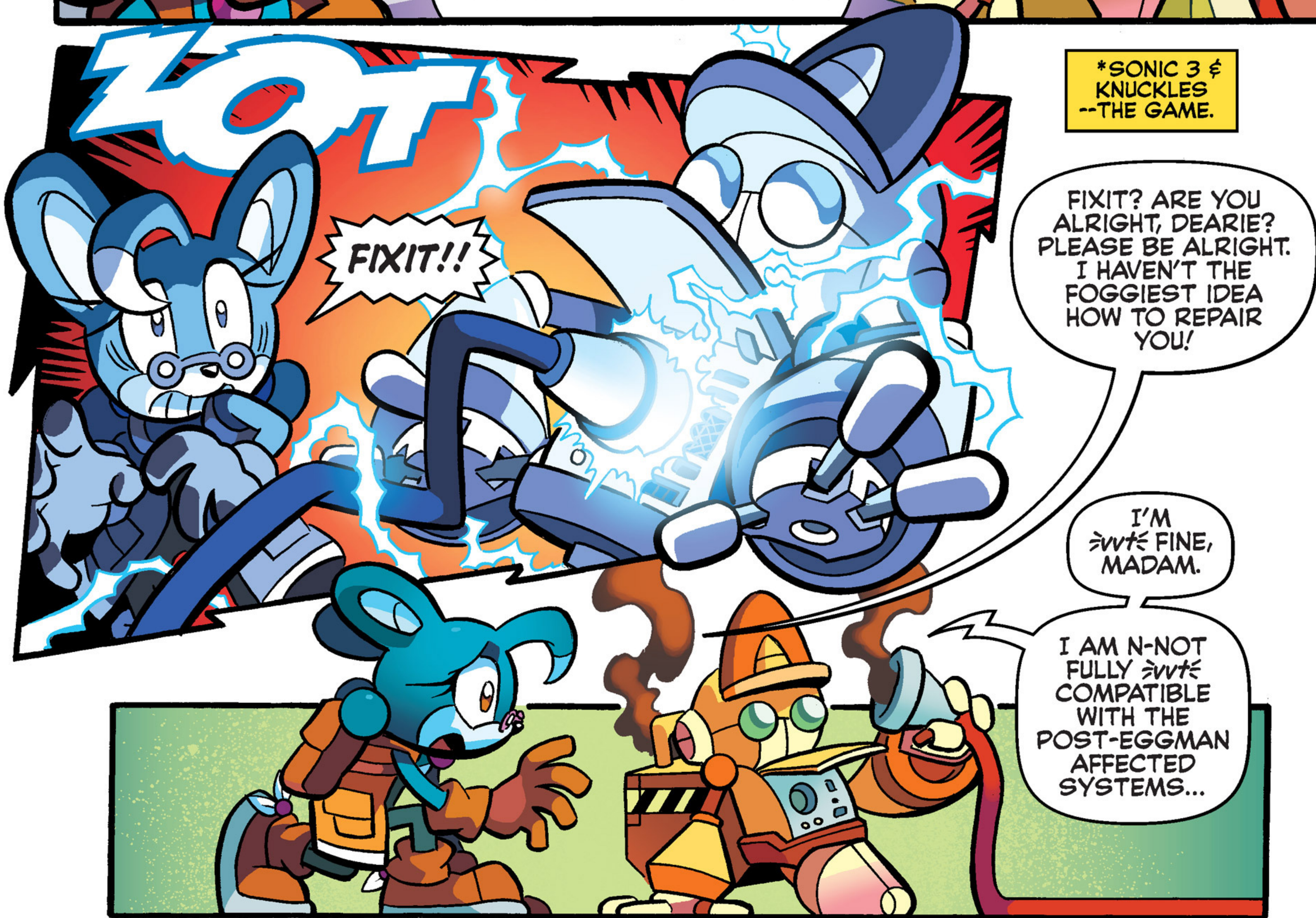


Oh, IF ONLY ALL ANCIENT TECHNOLOGY WAS LIKE YOU.

IT DOESN'T HELP MATTERS DR. EGGMAN MESS'D WITH THE SYSTEMS AND LEFT EVERYTHING PEAR-SHAPED...*

YOU WILL NEED TO EXPLAIN THIS FRUIT ANALOGY TO ME. PERHAPS IF I WERE TO INTERFACE WITH THE NETWORK MYSELF...?

*SONIC 3 & KNUCKLES --THE GAME.

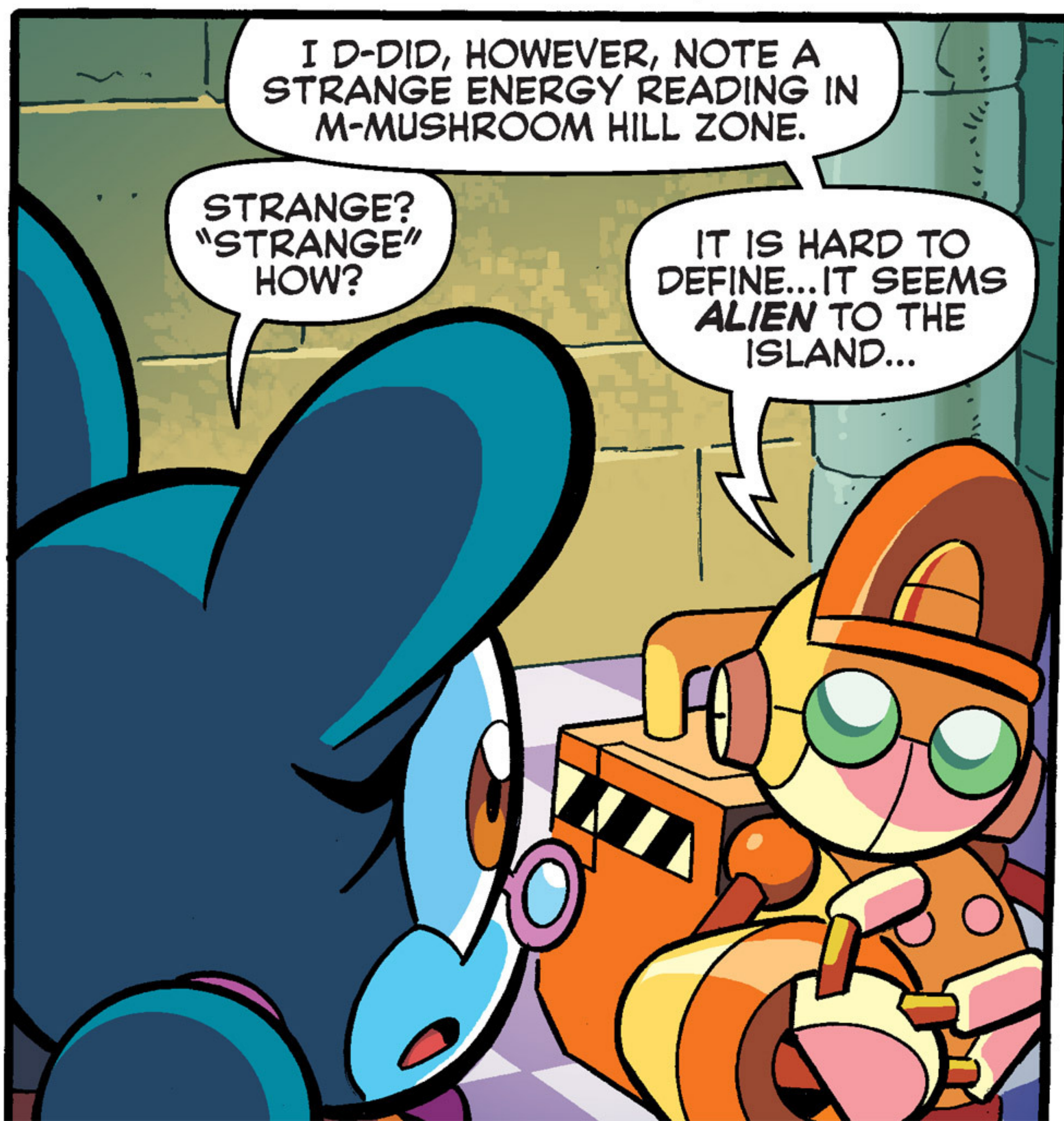


FIXIT!!

FIXIT? ARE YOU ALRIGHT, DEARIE? PLEASE BE ALRIGHT. I HAVEN'T THE FOGGIEST IDEA HOW TO REPAIR YOU!

I'M *èvvè* FINE, MADAM.

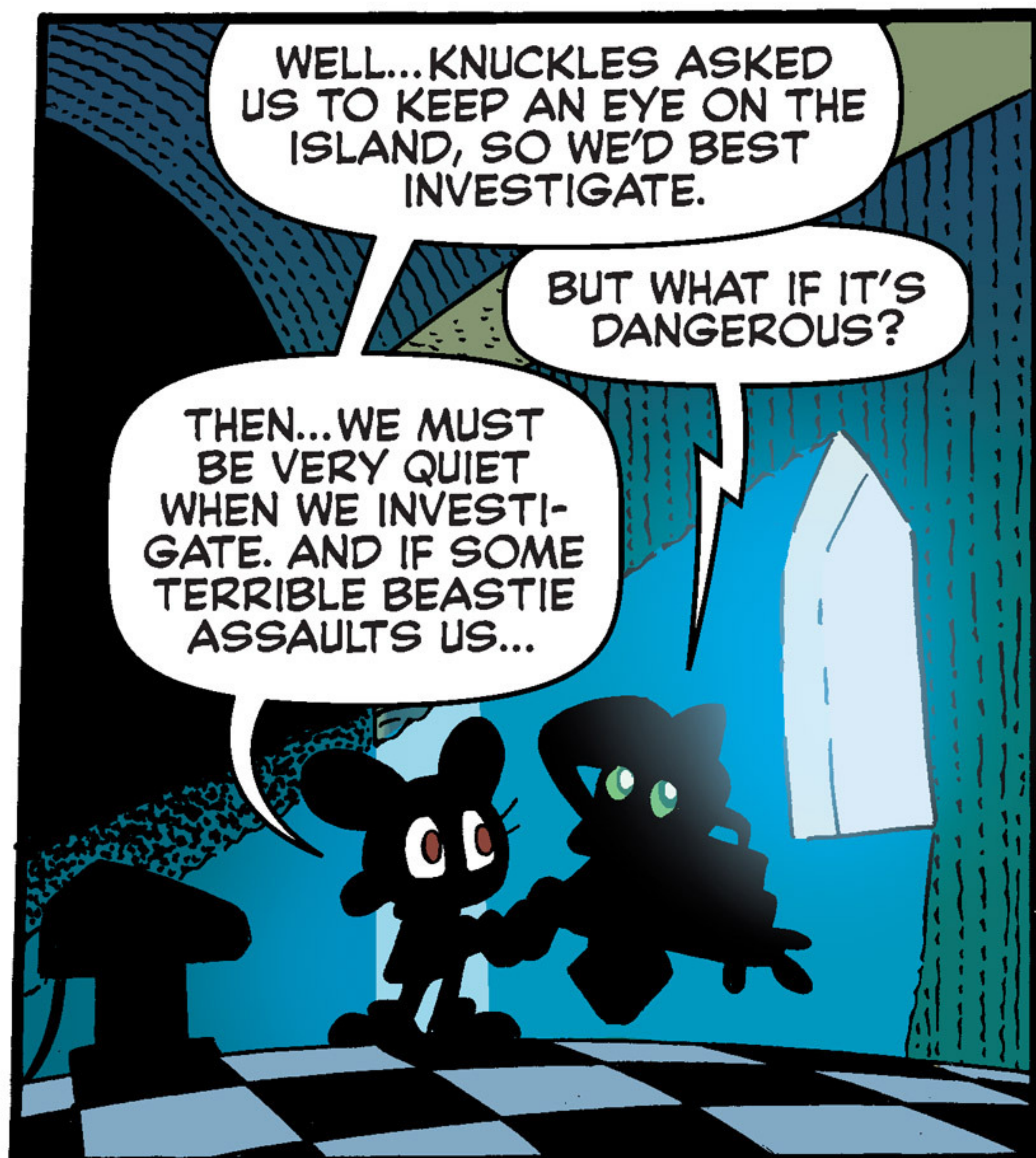
I AM N-NOT FULLY *èvvè* COMPATIBLE WITH THE POST-EGGMAN AFFECTED SYSTEMS...



I D-DID, HOWEVER, NOTE A STRANGE ENERGY READING IN M-MUSHROOM HILL ZONE.

STRANGE? "STRANGE" HOW?

IT IS HARD TO DEFINE...IT SEEMS ALIEN TO THE ISLAND...



WELL...KNUCKLES ASKED US TO KEEP AN EYE ON THE ISLAND, SO WE'D BEST INVESTIGATE.

BUT WHAT IF IT'S DANGEROUS?

THEN...WE MUST BE VERY QUIET WHEN WE INVESTIGATE. AND IF SOME TERRIBLE BEASTIE ASSAULTS US...

"...WE MUST
RUN **VERY**
QUICKLY!"

AQUATIC
MINE
ZONE.

TH-THIS PLACE
IS E-EVEN **CREEPIER**
THAN THE HILLS...

WHATTAYA
TALKIN' ABOUT?
IT'S DARK, IT'S
DANK--REMINDS
ME OF HOME!

OR THE
OFFICE WHEN
YOU HAVEN'T
PAID THE
POWER
BILL...

CAN YOU
STILL SENSE THE
EMERALD?

YEAH--IT'S
MUCH STRONGER
DOWN HERE. AND
IT'S STILL
MOVING.

HOW DO YOU
DO THAT, ANYWAY?
SENSE THE EMERALDS
AND STUFF.

I DON'T KNOW.
IT'S JUST A SIXTH
SENSE I'VE ALWAYS
KNOWN.

THEY SAY ALL THE
BEST TREASURE HUNTERS
CAN "FEEL" WHAT THEY'RE
LOOKING FOR THIS WAY.

SINCE WHEN DID YOU
HUNT FOR TREASURE?
YOU'RE ALWAYS
WATCHING THE MASTER
EMERALD?

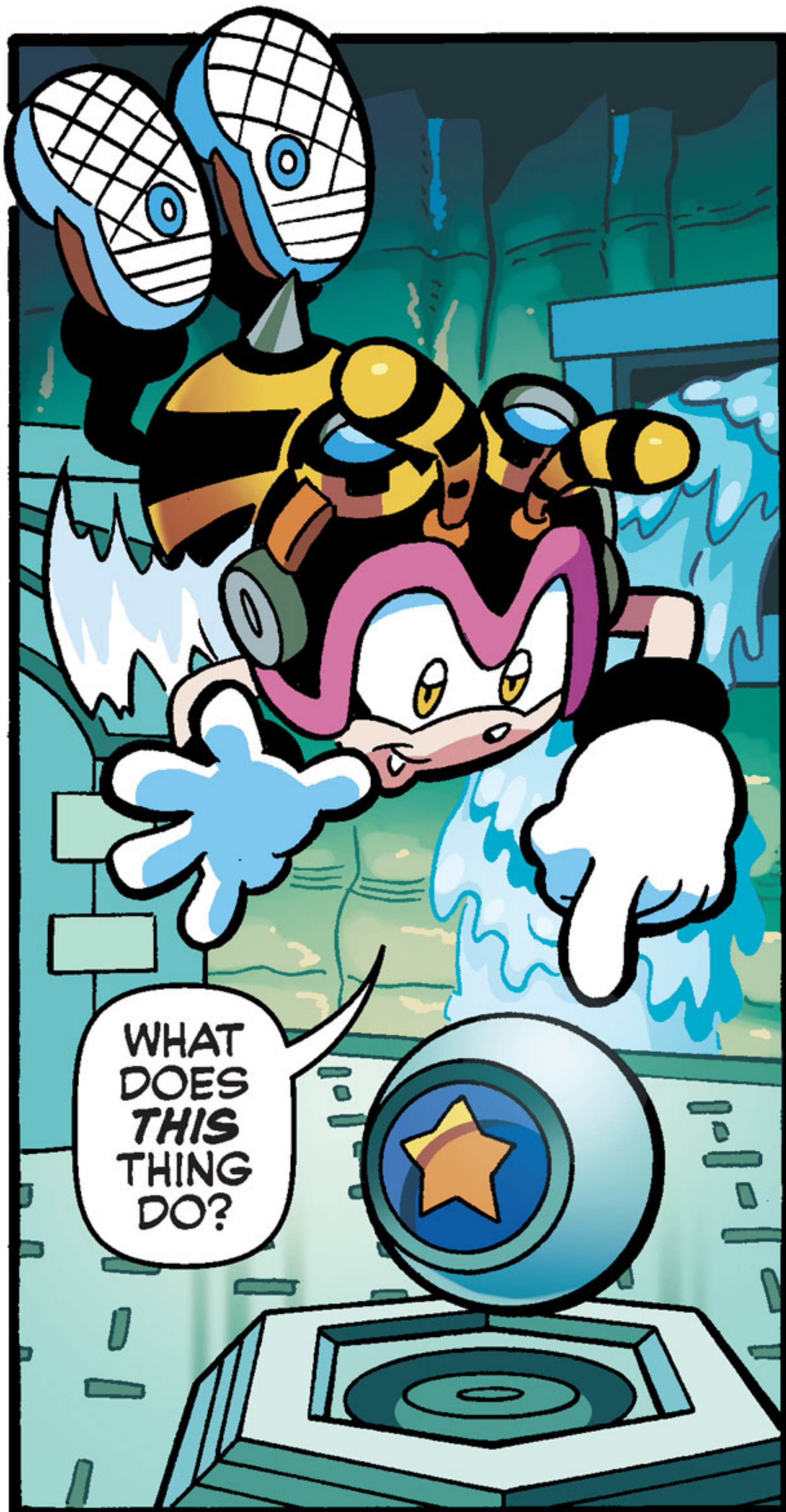
"ALWAYS"?
I CAN HAVE
HOBBIES TOO,
Y'KNOW.

WHY DO YOU
KEEP HIM AROUND
AGAIN?

WOULD
YOU LEAVE HIM
TO FEND FOR
HIMSELF?

I WRITE HIM OFF AS
A "CHARITABLE CAUSE"
EVERY TAX SEASON.

OOOOH!



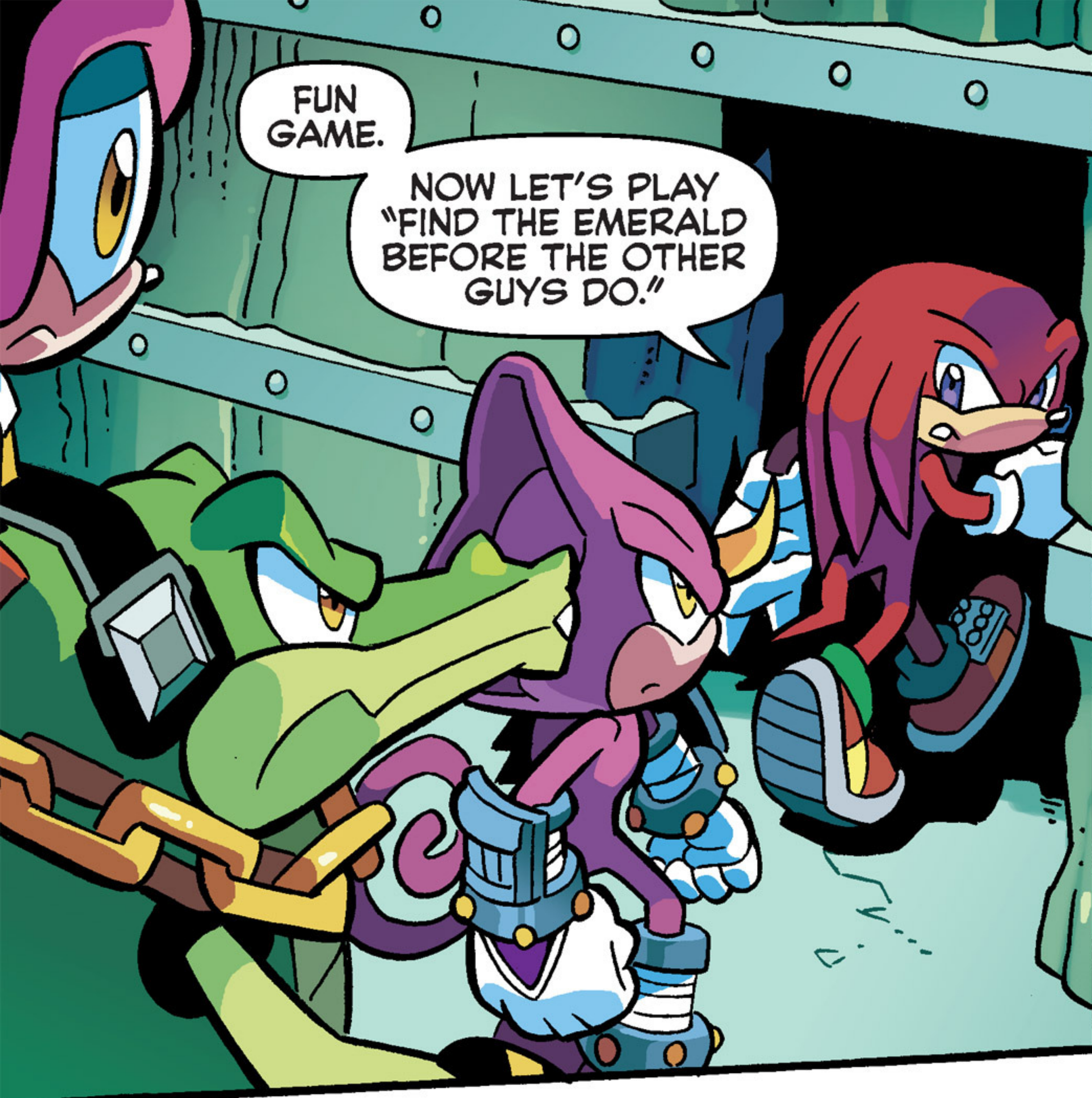
I DON'T KNOW. I GUESS THE MINERS NEEDED A WAY TO KEEP ALL THE WATER IN CHECK.

AND DRAINING THIS PLACE WASN'T AN OPTION.



Oh, WHYYY?

I DON'T KNOW! MAYBE--



*THE SHATTERED WORLD CRISIS BEGAN IN STH #256!



"...HOW THE HOOLIGANS CAN
LIVE WITH THEMSELVES."

NO-NO-NO! WE
SHOULD GO LEFT
THERE!

YOU LACK
IMAGINATION! AND
EXPLOSIVES!

ARGH!
YOU'RE NOT
HELPING!

WE NEED TO
FIND THE EMERALD
BEFORE THE CHAOTIX
AND GET IT BACK
TO EGGMAN!

IT'S A TUNNEL,
BEAN! THERE IS NO
LEFT OR RIGHT!

~sigh~

Oh, NOW YOU'VE GOT A
PROBLEM WITH WHO WE TAKE
CONTRACTS FROM? NOW
YOU'VE GOT SCRUPLES?

OR MAYBE YOU
WANT TO LET THE
WORLD SORT ITSELF
OUT, LIKE IT ALWAYS
DOES? IF YOU WANT
OUT, SPEAK UP NOW.

THAT'S
WHAT I
THOUGHT.

VROOOOM
VROOOOM

MEANWHILE...

SEE THAT?
WHOEVER DUG OUT
THIS PLACE SAW
GHOSTS, TOO.

THINK *THEIR*
GHOSTS HAUNT
THIS PLACE
NOW?

Huh...

EEP!

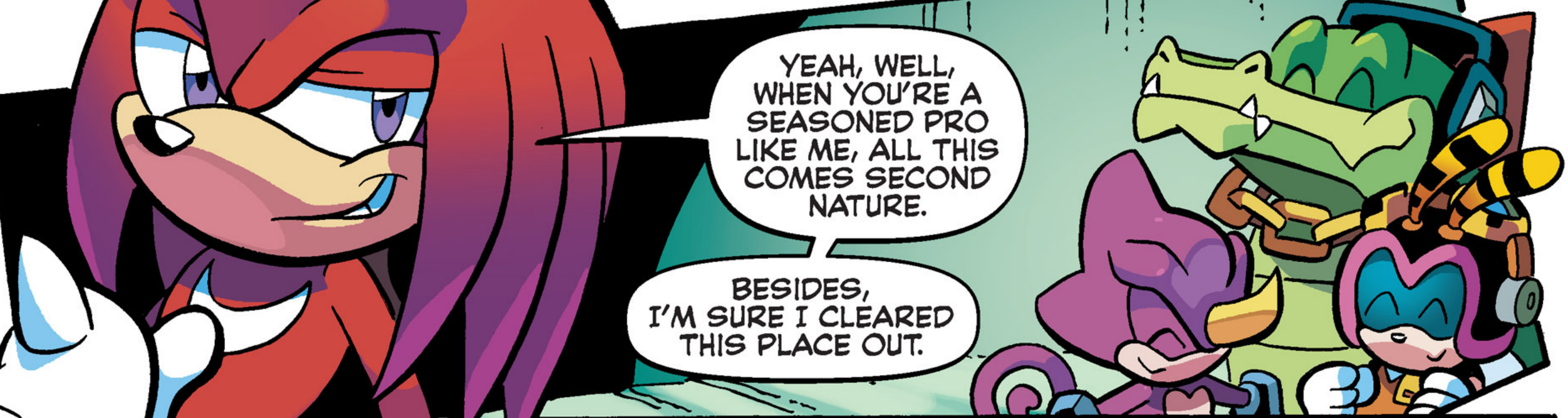
CUT IT OUT,
VECTOR. WE DON'T
NEED HIM JUMPING
AT SHADOWS DOWN
HERE, TOO.

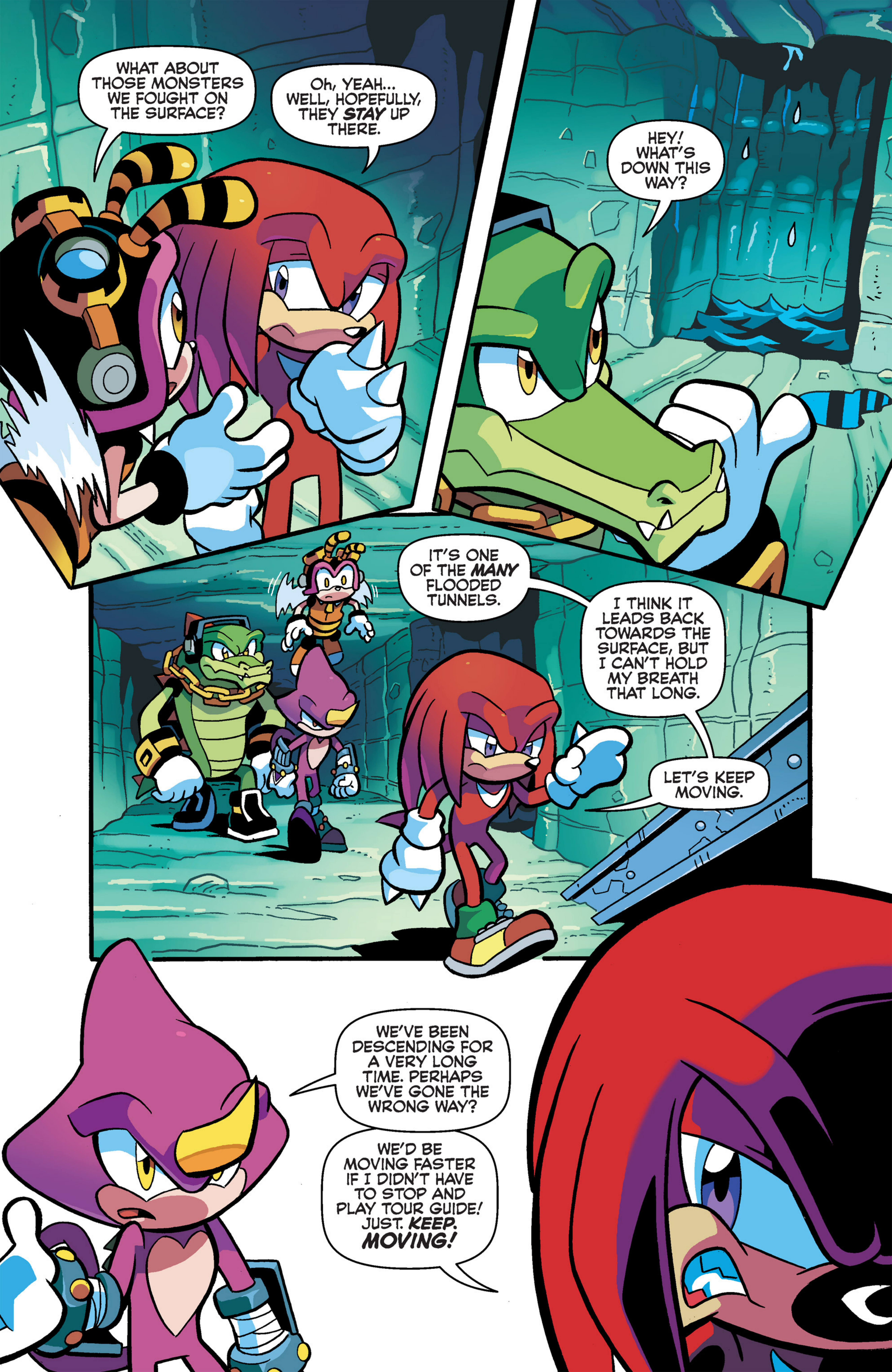
NO, YOU MIGHT
AS WELL KEEP AN
EYE OUT. I RAN INTO
GHOSTS THE LAST
TIME I WAS DOWN
HERE.

Oh, FOR
THE LOVE
OF...

LOOK! **YOU**
MAY BE USED TO
GHOSTS...

...BUT THE MYSTERIES
WE DEAL WITH USUALLY
INVOLVE LOST WALLETS
AND PARANOID
SPOUSES!





WHAT ABOUT
THOSE MONSTERS
WE FOUGHT ON
THE SURFACE?

Oh, YEAH...
WELL, HOPEFULLY,
THEY **STAY** UP
THERE.

HEY!
WHAT'S
DOWN THIS
WAY?

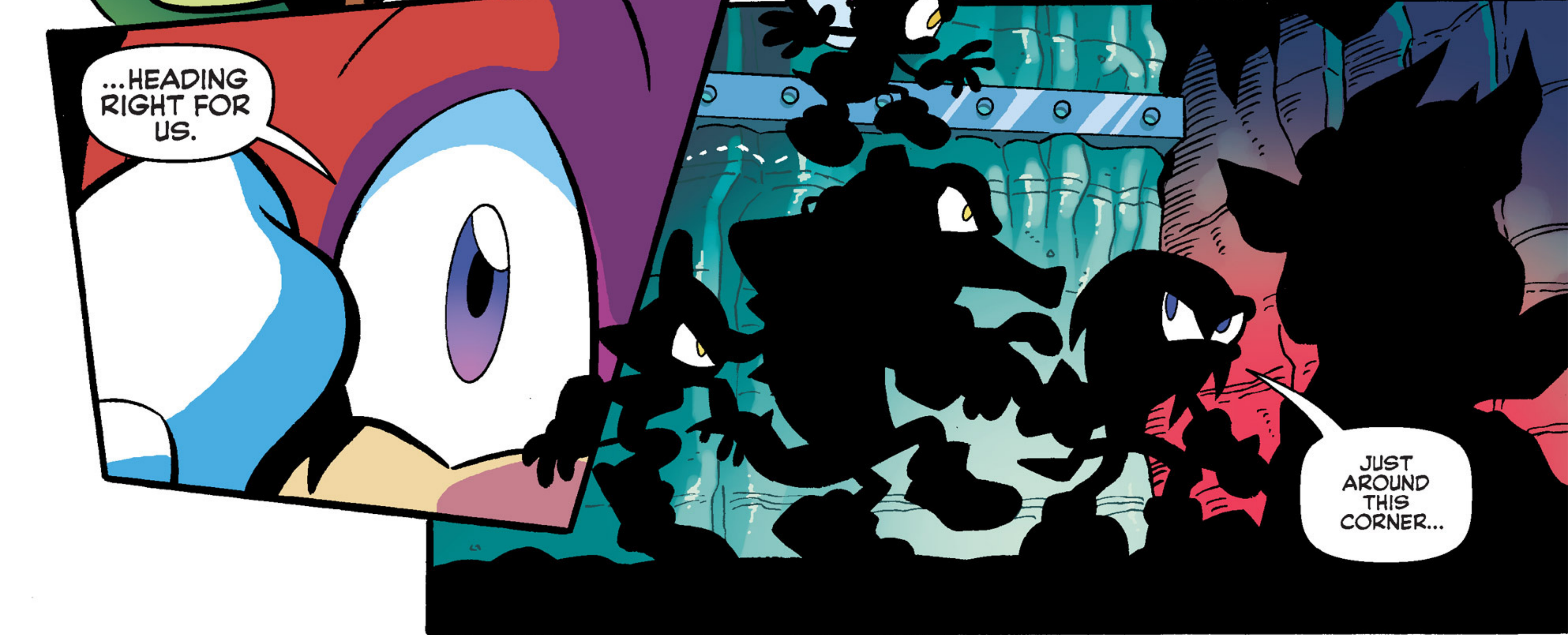
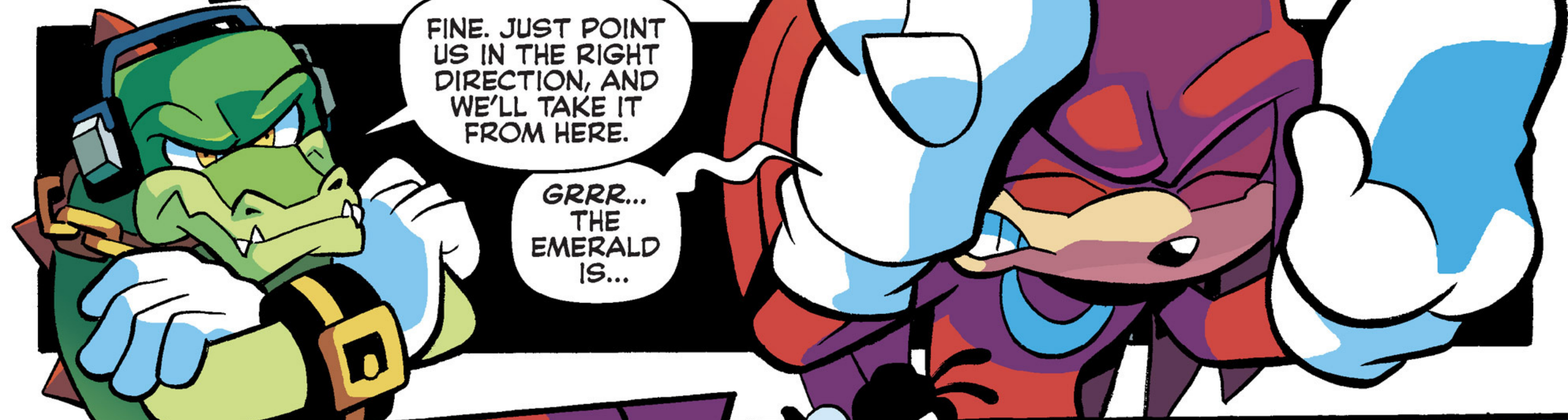
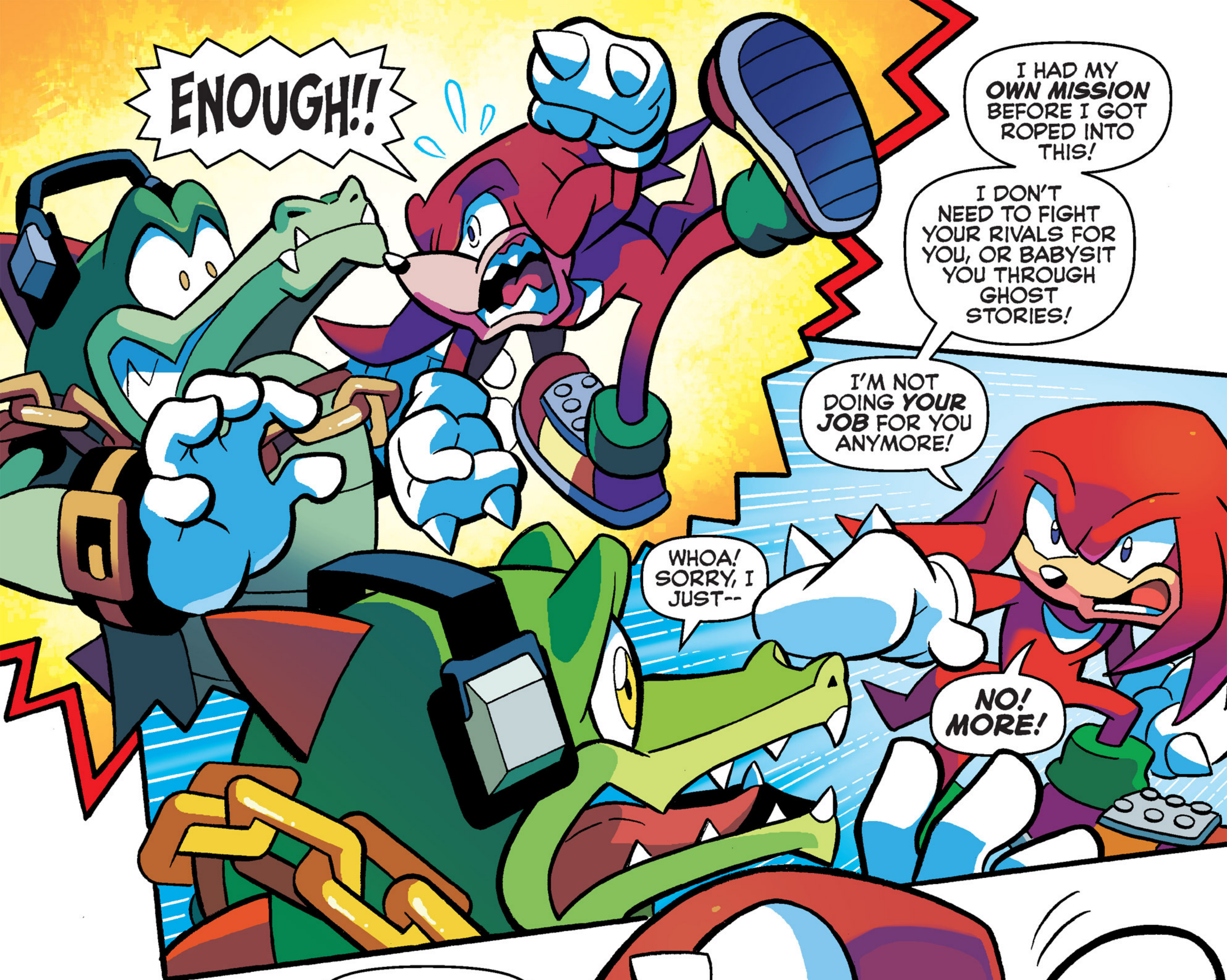
IT'S ONE
OF THE **MANY**
FLOODED
TUNNELS.

I THINK IT
LEADS BACK
TOWARDS THE
SURFACE, BUT
I CAN'T HOLD
MY BREATH
THAT LONG.

LET'S KEEP
MOVING.

WE'VE BEEN
DESCENDING FOR
A VERY LONG
TIME. PERHAPS
WE'VE GONE THE
WRONG WAY?

WE'D BE
MOVING FASTER
IF I DIDN'T HAVE
TO STOP AND
PLAY TOUR GUIDE!
JUST. **KEEP.
MOVING!**





H-HULLO?
IS S-SOMEONE
THERE...?

IS THIS THE SPIRIT KNUCKLES
WAS LOOKING FOR?!!
WHATEVER IT IS--WHAT IS IT
DOING WITH THE

**CHAOS
EMERALD?!!**

AND ARE The HOOLIGANS AND MONSTERS
WAITING IN THE SHADOWS TO POUNCE?!!

THINGS GET
EVEN WILDER
NEXT TIME!!

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Dear 'My Sonic Universe,'

I wanted to mention (but forgot the last time I wrote) just how brilliant Sonic Universe is. The main Sonic the Hedgehog series is, of course, excellent, but Universe is the absolute perfect complement to it. As I've been becoming more and more enamored with StH, a big part of my enjoyment is stemming from the cast. As though you all are psychic, and know how much fun it is to read about everyone from Knuckles to Silver, Universe is there to give EVERYONE the screen time they deserve. I really hope that Universe is here for the long haul, because there'd be a big, gaping hole without it.

Sonic has such a great cast of characters! The supporting cast needs some time to shine too! As long as we have the support of fans like you, Sonic Universe will thrive for a long time!

Before I leave... suggestions/requests! I think Silver and Tails are cool and would love to see more of them and other

characters! And... well, that's about it... for now!

Robert M. sent to
Sonic@ArchieComics.com

Thanks for the letter and kind words, Robert! Wait and see what the future brings for Silver! As for our foxy, high-flying friend, Tails is actually a part of a group mission happening right now in Sonic the Hedgehog 260, check it out!

Dear 'My Sonic Universe,'

Hi! This is my first time writing in, and I just want to say, you guys are AWESOME. I grew up with Sonic, so the Sonic comics are very special to me. Keep up the good work!

Thanks! I'm glad you decided to drop us a line!

Okay, I guess I'll have "the usual,"

You got it! ORDER UP!

I love the Chaotix, and my favorite member is Mighty. Can I be Mighty's #1 fan, or if that's already taken, than his #1A fan?

Sure! I deem thee Mighty's #1A fan!

Next, I'm wondering if we'll see Chaos again. He had a cool cameo in "Worlds Collide" with the whole "Chaos Devil" thing, but will we see actual Chaos in the future?

Eagle-eyed fans can spot him in the start of this story arc last issue! Where did he go?! You might want to check out what's happening in the main Sonic the Hedgehog comic book right now. You may be pleasantly surprised!

Thanks, and once again, you guys are amazing!

Hunter H. sent to
Sonic@ArchieComics.com

Thanks, Hunter! We hope you're digging The Great Chaos Caper and that you check out Waves of Change, happening right now in Sonic the Hedgehog 260-263!

See y'all next month as Knuckles and the Chaotix finally come face to face with the legendary spirit in part 3 of THE GREAT CHAOS CAPER!

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